



Veteran offers tips for young songwriters



Richard Stilgoe, at the Dolphin dance centre, in the city centre, with some of the Liverpool children in his musical workshop

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VETERAN Liverpool lyricist and entertainer Richard Stilgoe hosted a songwriting workshop yesterday.

He joined a group of young people to compose and

practice a piece of original music that will be performed at St Georges Hall in December.

The workshop, at Liverpool's Dolphin Dance Centre, is one of hundreds of free musical

workshops being held throughout the UK as part of **Youth Music Week**.

The young people from yesterday's event will be invited to perform at the St Georges Hall event on December 1 and

2, which will be the grand finale of **Portrait of a Nation**.

Organisers hope the Portrait of a Nation extravaganza will be a "national celebration of local identity through the

eyes of young people".

Mr Stilgoe grew up in Liverpool and performed alongside the Beatles as lead singer in Tony Snow and the Blizzards.

